

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner enter this Amendment and consider the above claims prior to an examination on the merits of the present application. New claims 22 and 23 are based on claims 19 and 21, respectively, from the parent application, as amended in that application. The new claims are of the same or similar scope to previous claims 19 and 21, respectively. In compliance with Applicant's duty of disclosure, Applicant advises that claims 19 and 21 were rejected by the Office in the parent application.

If the Examiner has any questions, he is invited to contact the undersigned to further prosecution.

Respectfully Submitted,

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